



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Lars Christian Fabricius et al.

Application No.: 10/718,577

Filing Date: November 24, 2003

Title: A COMMISSIONING MODULE FOR A FLUID DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Group Art Unit: 3753

Examiner: JOHN K FORD

Confirmation No.: 1227

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

☐ Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$65.00 (2814) ☐ \$130.00 (1814) fee per
Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.

☐ Also enclosed is/are _____

☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the
☐ \$395.00 (2801) ☐ \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered.
Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.

☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted _____

on _____,
for which continued examination is requested.

☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _____,
which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also
enclosed.

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- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	35	MINUS 35 =	0	x \$50.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 4 =	0	x \$200.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$360.00 (1203)					
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 0.00

- ☐ A check in the amount of _____ is enclosed for the fee due.
- ☐ Charge _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.
- ☐ Charge _____ to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

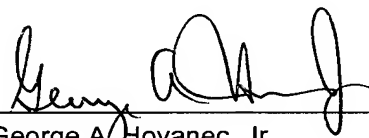
The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 22, 2006, Applicants elect the invention of Group II with traverse, as set forth below. The Examiner indicated that Group II includes claims 20-35, but Applicants understand that Group II should include claims 21-35.

Applicants traverse the requirement for restriction between the claims of Group I and Group II because it would not present an undue burden in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to examine both groups of claims in the same application. In the corresponding U.K. patent application, claims corresponding to Groups I and II were examined in the same application.

The Examiner also required Applicants to elect one of the following 3 species: First Species of Figure 1, Second Species described in paragraph 48; and Third Species described in paragraph 67. Applicants elect the First Species (which is understood to include Figs. 1-3). Claims 21-35 are readable on the First Species.


A prompt and favorable reconsideration of the restriction requirement along with an indication of allowability of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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